

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS**

**LOK SABHA
UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 574
ANSWERED ON 6TH FEBRUARY, 2025**

EXPRESSWAY IN BIHAR

574. DR. ALOK KUMAR SUMAN:

Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

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be pleased to state:

- (a) whether not a single national road expressways are passing through the district Gopalganj of Bihar despite it being on one of the best trade development routes of the country, if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor;
- (b) whether the national road expressways given to States were without consideration of the issues related to the commercial viability of trade in the country, if so, the details thereof;
- (c) the details about the number of National Highways passing through district Gopalganj of Bihar and the development related projects pending on those National Highways;
- (d) the details of the progress of the proposed project of National Highways passing through the State of Bihar, especially in district Gopalganj; and
- (e) the total amount sanctioned and spent for the development of National Highways passing through the State of Bihar, especially in district Gopalganj?

ANSWER

THE MINISTER OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI NITIN JAIRAM GADKARI)

(a) to (c) Two National Highways, NH-531 and NH-27 (East-West Corridor), traverse the Gopalganj district. However, at present, no National Expressway is passing through the district. Decisions regarding development of National Expressway are taken based on the fulfillment of the criteria, logistic corridors for movement of freight from origin to destination requirement of connectivity, traffic study, inter-se priority and synergy with PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

Further, a Four lane Elevated Highway and at grade improvements at Gopalganj Town from Km. 384.000 to Km. 386.750 on NH-27 has been approved.

(d) and (e) The budgetary allocation and expenditure for the development and maintenance of NHs in the state of Bihar including Gopalganj district during last Five years and the current year is as under:

| FY | Allocation (Rs. in Crore) | Expenditure (Rs. in Crore) |
|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| 2019-20 | 4,392 | 4,392 |
| 2020-21 | 6,716 | 6,716 |
| 2021-22 | 9,174 | 9,174 |
| 2022-23 | 9,347 | 9,347 |
| 2023-24 | 10,749 | 10,749 |
| 2024-25 (till 31.12.2024) | 6,159 | 5,599 |
